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Assistant Commissioner for Pat# Atty. Dkt. 1577-164 Washington, DC 20231 Date: November 7, 2001 Sir: This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: EXPANDABLE FOAM-LIKE BIOMATERIALS AND METHODS without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration. This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers: Newly executed Declaration, Copy of Declaration from prior application, Abstract pages of specification and claims (including 40 numbered claims), and 21 0 sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Yeàr , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application... Certified copy(ies) filed on in prior application no. Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line -- This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/246,063, filed November 7, 2000, the entire content of which is hereby : incorporated by reference in this application .--Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required. "Small entity" statement attached. Applicant claims "small entity" status. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement: Non-Publication Request: Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; Other: ≟ــاً1 Inventor: K. Umit YUKSEL USA (citizenship) (first) MI (last) Residence: (city) Kennesaw (state/country) Georgia 4308 Edgewater Drive, Kennesaw, Georgia Mailing Address: (Zip Code) 30144 2. Inventor: Т. BIRD **USA** Ana MI (first) (last) (citizenship) Residence: (city) Achworth (state/country) Georgia Mailing Address: 4839 Lake Park Lane, Achworth, Georgia (Zip Code) 30101 Inventor: S. **BLACK USA** 3. Kirby М (first) (last) (citizenship) Residence: (city) Achworth (state/country) Georgia Mailing Address: 1371 Peppergrass Trail, Achworth, Georgia (Zip Code) 30101 ☐ See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!! Address all future communications to NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.** Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Bryan H. Davidson, Reg. No. 30,251 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

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